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AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents

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SIR:

In response to the Official Action dated October 2, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraphs as indicated in the marked-up copy provided as **Attachment B**. A clean copy of the amended paragraphs is provided in **Attachment A**.

After page 18, please insert the attached Sequence Listing.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel without prejudice all previous claims and substitute therefor the new Claims 22-30 as set forth in **Attachment C**.